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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1-8, 11-16, 19, and 20 please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows and consider the following remarks:

Amendment to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.